

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
SATURDAY, JUNE 26, 2004 – 0800 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was moderate in the Southern California Area and light elsewhere with 306 fires reported nationally. Three new large fires were reported, two in the Southwest Area and one in the Southern California Area. One large fire was contained in the Southwest Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas and Utah.

ALASKA AREA LARGE FIRES:

SOLSTICE COMPLEX, Alaska Fire Service-Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Jandt) is assigned. This incident is 57 miles northwest of Fort Yukon, AK in black spruce and tundra. The complex consists of the Pingo, Winter Trail, Sucker River, Black Currant River and Vundik Lake fires. The Black Currant Lake and Khaalli fires have been contained. Extreme fire behavior was reported on the Pingo and Winter Trail fires due to high temperatures and dry fuel conditions. Crews continue to construct indirect fireline and prepare for burnout operations on the Pingo fire.

CHICKEN, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kurth) has been ordered. This fire is located 50 miles northeast of Tok, AK in black spruce and tundra. Active fire behavior with a large run was reported. A burnout operation was successfully completed. Taylor Highway is closed due to smoky conditions.

BOUNDARY, Fairbanks Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. This fire is 57 miles northeast of Fairbanks, AK in alpine tundra and black spruce. Extreme fire behavior was reported. Wind and unfavorable weather conditions are major concerns. Burnout operations along Steese Highway were successfully completed.

PORCUPINE, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. This fire is ten miles northeast of Tok, AK in grass and timber. Active fire behavior due to winds was reported. Smoke has caused poor visibility and hindered traffic on Taylor Highway.

AMERICAN SUMMIT, Alaska Fire Service-Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 17 miles southwest of Eagle, AK in black spruce. Heavy fuels, steep terrain, lack of water and low visibility due to smoke are ongoing concerns. An inversion resulted in minimal fire behavior.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | % CTN | EST CTN | TOTL PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC LOST | \$\$\$ CTD |
|------------------|----|------|---------|-------|---------|-----------|-----|-----|------|-----------|------------|
| SOLSTICE COMPLEX | AK | UYD | 124,730 | 8 | UNK | 239 | 9 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1.7M |
| CHICKEN | AK | TAS | 35,000 | NR | UNK | 33 | 0 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 286K |
| BOUNDARY | AK | FAS | 40,000 | NR | UNK | 103 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 303K |
| PORCUPINE | AK | TAS | 15,000 | 0 | UNK | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 30K |
| AMERICAN SUMMIT | AK | UYD | 10,240 | 0 | UNK | 80 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | NR |

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

WILLOW, Tonto National Forest. This fire is 23 miles northeast of Scottsdale, AZ in grass and brush. Rough, rugged terrain and drought conditions are major concerns. Extreme fire behavior with uphill runs of up to 50 chains per hour was observed.

DAVENPORT, Cibola National Forest. This fire is ten miles northwest of Datil, NM in ponderosa and pinyon pine. Steep terrain and poor access to the fire area have hampered suppression efforts. Short crown and uphill runs, flame lengths ranging from two to 30 feet and spotting about one quarter mile ahead of the fire were observed.

JACKET, Coconino National Forest. This fire is 13 miles southeast of Winona, AZ in grass, juniper and pinyon pine. No new information was reported.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | % CTN | EST CTN | TOTL PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC LOST | \$\$\$ CTD |
|---------------|----|------|--------|-------|---------|-----------|-----|-----|------|-----------|------------|
| WILLOW | AZ | TNF | 1,800 | 0 | UNK | 84 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 200K |
| DAVENPORT | NM | CIF | 100 | 0 | UNK | 117 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 0 | NR |
| JACKET | AZ | COF | 600 | NR | UNK | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2K |
| PEPPIN | NM | LNF | 64,488 | 100 | --- | 38 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 7.3M |

LNF = Lincoln National Forest

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

CRAG, Sequoia National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kerr) has been ordered. This fire is 51 miles east of Porterville, CA in Jeffrey pine and sage. Active fire behavior in light fuels was observed.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | % CTN | EST CTN | TOTL PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC LOST | \$\$\$ CTD |
|---------------|----|------|------|-------|---------|-----------|-----|-----|------|-----------|------------|
| CRAG | CA | SQF | 400 | NR | 6/27 | 150 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 0 | NR |

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: High pressure continues over the West with a low pressure system along the Pacific Northwest coast. Scattered thunderstorms are expected across much of the area east of the Cascades and Sierra. However, drier air will be spreading into portions of Arizona. In Alaska, high pressure over the area will continue the hot and dry weather with some thunderstorms mainly over the eastern interior.

| Geographic Area Weather | High Temperatures | Minimum Relative Humidity | Wind |
|--|--|--|--|
| SOUTHWEST AREA Partly to mostly sunny. Substantially drier in Arizona. A few dry thunderstorms in parts of northern and eastern Arizona and far western New Mexico with scattered, wet, thunderstorms across the remainder of New Mexico and west Texas. | 60s and 70s mountains. 80s to mid 90s lower elevations. 95 to 105 southern Arizona deserts. | 5 to 15% Arizona and western third of New Mexico. 15 to 25% central New Mexico. 25 to 40% eastern New Mexico and west Texas. | Southwest 5 to 15 mph in Arizona and western New Mexico with gusts to 20 to 25 mph in northern and western Arizona. South to southeast 10 to 20 mph across eastern New Mexico and west Texas. |
| SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Areas of morning low clouds and fog into the coastal valleys, otherwise mostly sunny, except partly cloudy with isolated afternoon thunderstorms from the Sierra crest eastward. | 65 to 75 coastal areas. 75 to 85 mountains. 88 to 93 valleys. 90 to 100 upper deserts. 105 to 108 lower deserts. | 12 to 25%. | Southwest to northwest 10 to 20 mph. |
| WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA Partly to mostly sunny with isolated, mainly dry, thunderstorms possible in the north and east. | North Valleys: 85 to 96. South Valleys: 90 to 100. Mountains: 70s to low 80s. | North Valleys: 7 to 15%. South Valleys: 6 to 12%. Mountains: 10 to 22%. | Central and East: southwest to west at 5 to 15 mph. West: southwest at 10 to 20 mph with gusts to 30 mph. |
| NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Mostly clear with a 10% chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms near Lake Tahoe. Patchy morning coastal low clouds and fog. | Warmest areas will be inland valleys in the 80s to mid 90s. | 10 to 17% in drier inland valleys. | Afternoon wind southwest to northwest at 5 to 15 mph with local gusts 18 to 25 mph, except 30 mph east of the Cascade/ Sierra crest. |
| ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA Isolated showers and scattered afternoon thunderstorms. Isolated dry lightning over southwest Colorado. | 75 to 85. 60s to low 70s mountains. | Less than 20% across southwest Colorado and northwest South Dakota, 25 to 45% elsewhere. | Variable at 5 to 15 mph. |
| NORTHWEST AREA Partly Cloudy east of the Cascades with scattered showers and thunderstorms. West: mostly cloudy becoming partly cloudy with isolated showers. | 80 to 94 east of Cascades with warmest lowlands. 65 to 75 west with coolest on coast. | East of Cascades: 25 to 40% highest in mountains. West of Cascades: 50 to 65%. | Southwest at 5 to 10 mph becoming west to northwest at 10 to 15 mph and gusty. Locally west 20 to 30 mph and gusty on the east slopes of Cascades and across Columbia Basin. |



http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php

LOOKOUTS

Lookouts are often better situated to notice the cumulative changes of fire behavior.

- Fire Order #8 says, "Establish lookouts in potentially hazardous situations." Should you utilize lookouts at all times?
 - Lookouts should be posted at all times.

- What are you looking for when you are selecting a lookout location?
 - Choose a good vantage point, preferably with a good overview of the entire area where firefighters are located, including escape routes and safety zones.
 - Utilize aircraft but have an alternative on the ground.

- What are the desired qualities, capabilities, knowledge and responsibilities of a lookout person?
 - Experienced firefighter.
 - Solid knowledge of fire behavior and ability to recognize and monitor other environmental hazards.
 - Good communicator--keeps the crew advised of fire behavior changes, tracks weather trends and relays the information, informs crew of work progress and updates from the latest strategy and tactical briefings.
 - Monitors and accounts for all individuals within his/her assigned area at all times and will notify others if breaks are needed.

- What is the necessary equipment for a lookout?
 - PPE, radio with extra batteries, compass, binoculars, belt weather kit, IAP, map, food and water.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|-------|--------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | | | 1 | 6 | 1 | 8 |
| | ACRES | | | | 0 | 31,620 | 0 | 31,620 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 5 | 4 | | | | 8 | 17 |
| | ACRES | 9 | 2 | | | | 6 | 17 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 1 | | | | 10 | 3 | 14 |
| | ACRES | 0 | | | | 21 | 1 | 22 |
| Southern California | FIRES | 1 | | | | 18 | 3 | 22 |
| | ACRES | 1 | | | | 210 | 500 | 711 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 1 | 1 | | | 17 | 3 | 22 |
| | ACRES | 1 | 1 | | | 2 | 0 | 4 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 1 | 48 | | 1 | 10 | 25 | 85 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 123 | | 0 | 12 | 5 | 140 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | 28 | | | 3 | 6 | 37 |
| | ACRES | | 9 | | | 50 | 50 | 109 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 10 | 1 | | 1 | | 44 | 56 |
| | ACRES | 14 | 0 | | 0 | | 1,817 | 1,831 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 3 | 4 | | 3 | 1 | 5 | 16 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 1 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | | | | | 28 | | 28 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 12 | | 12 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 1 | | | | | | 1 |
| | ACRES | 2 | | | | | | 2 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 23 | 86 | 0 | 6 | 93 | 98 | 306 |
| | ACRES | 27 | 136 | 0 | 0 | 31,927 | 2,379 | 34,469 |

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|-----------|
| Alaska | FIRES | 2 | 34 | 41 | 15 | 207 | 5 | 304 |
| | ACRES | 3 | 56,664 | 83,811 | 12,219 | 213,741 | 1 | 366,439 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 75 | 33 | 15 | 8 | 376 | 113 | 620 |
| | ACRES | 739 | 551 | 71 | 9 | 1,024 | 273 | 2,667 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 41 | 11 | 6 | 4 | 961 | 214 | 1,237 |
| | ACRES | 35 | 391 | 15 | 2 | 3,031 | 1,505 | 4,979 |
| Southern California | FIRES | 20 | 35 | 6 | 13 | 1,354 | 240 | 1,668 |
| | ACRES | 650 | 1,339 | 311 | 14 | 33,939 | 4,013 | 40,266 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 735 | 20 | 14 | 5 | 344 | 137 | 1,255 |
| | ACRES | 4,139 | 195 | 485 | 0 | 8,662 | 3,288 | 16,769 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 3 | 167 | 2 | 11 | 77 | 110 | 370 |
| | ACRES | 3 | 6,133 | 1 | 32 | 821 | 399 | 7,389 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | 4 | 172 | | 4 | 32 | 25 | 237 |
| | ACRES | 1 | 9,871 | | 0 | 65 | 351 | 10,288 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 432 | 39 | 2 | 25 | 356 | 372 | 1,226 |
| | ACRES | 1,264 | 3,314 | 1 | 502 | 4,787 | 114,084 | 123,952 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 149 | 104 | 28 | 7 | 192 | 128 | 608 |
| | ACRES | 3,490 | 245 | 1,166 | 2 | 19,603 | 4,076 | 28,582 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 489 | | 46 | 18 | 5,730 | 397 | 6,680 |
| | ACRES | 5,094 | | 2,335 | 105 | 53,522 | 5,533 | 66,589 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 115 | | 46 | 33 | 21,909 | 539 | 22,642 |
| | ACRES | 15,600 | | 4,681 | 1,024 | 261,327 | 72,935 | 355,567 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 2,065 | 615 | 206 | 143 | 31,538 | 2,280 | 36,847 |
| | ACRES | 31,018 | 78,703 | 92,877 | 13,909 | 600,522 | 206,458 | 1,023,487 |

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| Ten Year Average Fires | 41,395 |
| Ten Year Average Acres | 1,192,139 |

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PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Northwest | FIRES | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| | ACRES | | 2 | | | | | 2 |
| Northern California | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Southern California | FIRES | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| | ACRES | | | | 80 | | | 80 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Southwest | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | | | 1 | | 1 | | 2 |
| | ACRES | | | 5 | | 5 | | 10 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 250 | 3,991 | 4,241 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 9 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 2 | 5 | 80 | 255 | 3,992 | 4,334 |

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|--------|--------|---------|--------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | | | | 5 | | 5 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 2,097 | | 2,097 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 38 | 77 | 34 | 1 | | 251 | 401 |
| | ACRES | 7,626 | 6,809 | 3,641 | 30 | | 58,177 | 76,283 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 14 | 39 | 10 | 17 | | 183 | 263 |
| | ACRES | 251 | 731 | 13,566 | 2,690 | | 22,617 | 39,855 |
| Southern California | FIRES | | 4 | 9 | 9 | | 71 | 93 |
| | ACRES | | 28 | 869 | 408 | | 6,212 | 7,517 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 36 | 8 | 74 | 3 | 45 | 349 | 515 |
| | ACRES | 1,827 | 2,631 | 12,502 | 1,046 | 3,066 | 42,277 | 63,349 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 1 | 16 | 3 | 6 | 21 | 57 | 104 |
| | ACRES | 149 | 2,330 | 547 | 1,237 | 1,588 | 16,680 | 22,531 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | 4 | | | | 5 | 9 |
| | ACRES | | 80 | | | | 971 | 1,051 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 14 | 13 | 7 | 10 | | 276 | 320 |
| | ACRES | 2,796 | 4,821 | 10,519 | 7,777 | | 66,084 | 91,997 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 42 | 39 | 108 | 18 | 12 | 112 | 331 |
| | ACRES | 5,117 | 11,851 | 19,596 | 12,964 | 3,947 | 45,521 | 98,996 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 20 | | 347 | 23 | 608 | 177 | 1,175 |
| | ACRES | 14,454 | | 39,843 | 4,443 | 59,280 | 27,868 | 145,888 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 51 | | 139 | 68 | 14,850 | 1,058 | 16,166 |
| | ACRES | 8,503 | | 58,470 | 59,202 | 915,968 | 951,338 | 1,993,481 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 216 | 200 | 731 | 155 | 15,541 | 2,539 | 19,382 |
| | ACRES | 40,723 | 29,281 | 159,553 | 89,797 | 985,946 | 1,237,745 | 2,543,045 |

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|-----|-------|-----|--------|-------|------|--------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | | | 2 | | | 2 |
| | ACRES | | | | 11,640 | | | 11,640 |
| Northwest | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Northern California | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Southern California | FIRES | | | | | | 2 | 2 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | 222 | 222 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | | | | 2 | | 1 | 3 |
| | ACRES | | | | 0 | | 0 | 0 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | 4 | | | | | 4 |
| | ACRES | | 342 | | | | | 342 |
| Southwest | FIRES | | | | 1 | | 5 | 6 |
| | ACRES | | | | 101 | | 2 | 103 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | | 4 | | | 0 | 1 | 5 |
| | ACRES | | 5,574 | | | 2,271 | 43 | 7,888 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 0 | 8 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 9 | 22 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 5,916 | 0 | 11,741 | 2,271 | 267 | 20,195 |

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

| PROVINCES | FIRES YESTERDAY | HECTARES YESTERDAY | FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE | HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE |
|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| British Columbia | 63 | 0 | 775 | 21,239 |
| Yukon Territory | 12 | 19,701 | 74 | 139,634 |
| Alberta | 5 | 70 | 690 | 2,826 |
| Northwest Territory | 0 | 47 | 24 | 13,079 |
| Saskatchewan | 1 | 0 | 119 | 682 |
| Manitoba | 0 | 0 | 70 | 404 |
| Ontario | 0 | 0 | 147 | 1,365 |
| Quebec | 2 | 1 | 178 | 591 |
| Newfoundland | 0 | 0 | 88 | 1,924 |
| New Brunswick | 0 | 0 | 209 | 381 |
| Nova Scotia | 0 | 0 | 183 | 206 |
| Prince Edward Island | 0 | 0 | 16 | 14 |
| National Parks | 0 | 0 | 22 | 12,042 |
| Total | 83 | 19,818 | 2,595 | 194,387 |

RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

| AREA | CREWS FED | CREWS ST/OT | ENGS FED | ENGS ST/OT | HELI FED | HELI ST/OT | AIRT FED | AIRT ST/OT | OVRHD FED | OVRHD ST/OT |
|---------------------|--------------|----------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|
| Alaska | 12 | 11 | | 42 | 4 | 2 | | | 91 | 70 |
| Northwest | 45 | | 8 | | 15 | | | | 43 | 2 |
| Northern California | 7 | 10 | 8 | 28 | 2 | 5 | | | | 18 |
| Southern California | 27 | 15 | 21 | | 17 | | 1 | | 132 | 7 |
| Northern Rockies | | | | | | | | | | |
| Eastern Great Basin | 4 | | 26 | 4 | 4 | | | | 1 | |
| Western Great Basin | 4 | 6 | 18 | 14 | 6 | 2 | | | 11 | 2 |
| Southwest | 8 | | 4 | 3 | 6 | 2 | | | 21 | 1 |
| Rocky Mountain | | | 16 | 3 | 2 | 1 | | | 1 | |
| Eastern Area | | | | | | | | | | |
| Southern Area | | | 2 | | 1 | | | | 4 | |
| Total | 107 | 42 | 103 | 94 | 57 | 12 | 1 | 0 | 304 | 100 |

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